

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5862

To amend title 18, United States Code, to require the reading of crime victims' rights in open court in criminal cases.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 22, 2008

Mr. CHABOT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That section 3771(b) of title 18, United States Code, is
4 amended by adding at the end the following:

5 “(3) READING OF RIGHTS.—At a defendant’s
6 arraignment on an indictment, or at the commence-
7 ment of a criminal trial, or a sentencing, if there is
8 no trial, the judge shall read in open court the rights
9 of victims set forth in subsection (a).”.